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Sir:


Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, §1.97, §1.98, and MPEP §609, applicant encloses a copy of the references with an English translation of the pertinent portions, listed on the attached form PTO/SB/08A for consideration by the Examiner. The references are cited in the enclosed Office Action from a corresponding Japanese Patent Application mailed on 18 April 2006.

The listed references are being cited only in the interests of candor and without any admission that they constitute statutory prior art or contain matter which anticipates the present invention or which would render the same obvious, either singly or in combination, to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

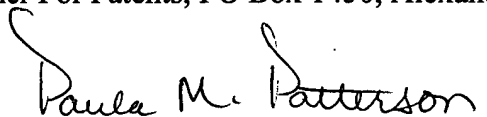
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